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ADDENDUM # 2

RE: Solicitation 40023-S23016 Dated 05 April 2023

Questions, Answers and Clarifications

1. **Question:** I am currently working on a bid for your solicitation, and I wanted to see if you wanted the products to have a warranty for a certain amount of time.

Answer: A standard warranty is acceptable. If you would like to add an optional an extended warranty, we will consider the benefits along with the pricing.

2. **Question:** On page 1, line 5 where it asks to specify your payment terms, are you referring to a dollar amount or a method of payment?

Answer: Terms of payment deal with how you structure your invoice terms – e.g. Net 30 upon receipt, etc. Please note that NTCC will not accept prepay terms.

3. **Question:** Software Version Preference? Does NTCC have a preference on the software version of the Baxter Sigma Spectrum IV Pumps? If so, please advise which software version is preferred.

Answer: Software Preference: As long as it has a drug library (ICU Library preferred to be able to have students program the pump in IV therapy class as part of their check off) and preferably with software is a recently updated (only bc this pump alerts you that you need updated software when you log). If this is not an issue with the educator version, then it doesn't matter.

All recalled previous version pumps would not affect education/learning as they will not be used on real pts. We are using these pumps for teaching students how to turn on/off, load tubing & selecting drug out of library & setting doses based on IV gtt rates.

Version 6 & 8 have the interoperability connectivity (they also have recalls due to this "hacking" risk) – they may be cheaper if they weren't recently updated with the patch or could be more expensive post "update". These Baxter recalls will not affect what we are utilizing the pumps for as we will not be using them on patients.

4. **Question:** Acceptable Delivery Date Timeframe? NTCC Solicitation NO 40023-S23016 states that delivery cannot be made prior to 07.01.2023 but goes on to state that bids where product cannot be delivered prior to 06.20.23 will not be accepted (See below for Page references). Please clarify.
 - a. PG 3 of 5 states, "DELIVERY CANNOT BE MADE PRIOR TO JULY 1, 2023 AND YOUR BID PRICES MUST BE FIRM FOR ACCEPTANCE AT DELIVERY ACCORDINGLY."
 - b. PG 5 of 5 states, "BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WHERE PRODUCT CANNOT BE DELIVERED PRIOR TO 6/20/2023. IF AWARDED VENDOR CANNOT DELIVER PRIOR TO THIS DATE, ORDER WILL BE CANCELLED ON 6/20/2023."

Answer: We must have the machines by 6/20/2023 at the latest. That is when the grant ends. The 7/1/23 should read 7/1/22. We run on Fiscal year not Calendar year, so we are in Fiscal Year 23 (July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023).

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5. **Question:** Please confirm the software version requested for the Baxter Spectrum Pumps.

Answer: Please refer to question 3.

6. **Question:** Please advise if the College is Tax Exempt.

Answer: NTCC is Tax Exempt. Forms will be sent to the awarded vendor.

7. **Question:** Is the college requesting a “one time” purchase or contractual pricing?

Answer: This is a one-time purchase.

8. **Question:** Please confirm that NTCC will agree to accept the bid via email in lieu of a hardcopy.

Answer: We will accept an email copy of the completed bid form.

9. **Question:** Upon review, if there are bid terms and conditions the vendor may not be able to agree to, will NTCC allow the Vendor to include clarifications or exceptions as part of its bid submission?

Answer: A vendor may submit a bid with clarifications or exceptions, however, if NTCC cannot agree to the terms and conditions of the vendor, the bid will be disqualified.

10. **Question:** If there are insurance requirements that the Vendor may not be able to agree with, will NTCC consider exceptions to insurance terms and conditions.

Answer: Insurance requirements are dictated by State Policy; however, an insurance certificate is not required to ship merchandise to the college.

THIS ADDENDUM IS HEREBY OFFICIALLY MADE A PART OF THE REFERENCED SOLICITATION.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: If you have already submitted your bid and this Addendum does not cause you to revise your bid; you should acknowledge receipt of this Addendum by identifying your business name and by signing where indicated. You may return this Acknowledgement by mail to: NTCC-LACOMBE CAMPUS, ATTN: PURCHASING, 65556 Centerpoint Blvd., Lacombe, LA 70445 by hand delivery to: same address, or by fax to: 985-545-1281. NTCC reserves the right to request a completed Acknowledgement at any time. Failure to execute an Acknowledgement shall not relieve the bidder from complying with the terms of its bid.

Addendum Acknowledged / No Changes:

For: _____ By: _____

REVISION: If you have already submitted your bid and this Addendum requires you to revise your bid, you must indicate any change(s) below, identify your business name and sign where shown. Revisions shall be delivered prior to bid opening by mail to: NTCC-LACOMBE CAMPUS, ATTN: PURCHASING, 65556 Centerpoint Blvd., Lacombe, LA 70445 or by hand delivery to: same address. Indicate the file number and the bid opening date and time on the outside of the envelope for proper identification. Revisions received after bid closing shall not be considered and you shall be held to your original bid.

Revision:

For: _____ By: _____

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sharon K Jones". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "S" and "J".

Sharon Jones
Purchasing Manager